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IN RE: Docket No. 2004-73-T - Application of Minute Man Movers, LLC. for a rate increase.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) is in receipt of a letter of request for an increase from the current 5% fuel surcharge to a 10% fuel surcharge filed on behalf of the above named carrier by Aneita Lewis, President. In light of the steady increase in fuel prices over the past several months, ORS does not oppose the Commission's consideration of this request on an expedited basis in the context of the Commission's weekly agenda session. However, upon research into the matter ORS would like to point out the following:

- Minute Man Movers, LLC was issued a Class E Certificate on June 29, 2004. Included in their tariff was a 5% fuel surcharge when the average price of diesel fuel was 167.2 cents per gallon.
- The average price of diesel fuel as of September 5, 2005 was 285.3 cents per gallon. This represents a 59% increase in fuel price from their base price. Applying a 59% increase to the company's current fuel charge yields a fuel surcharge of 8% rather than 10%.

Based on the above analysis, ORS supports an additional 3% fuel surcharge added to the base 5% fuel charge. Given the current volatility of gas prices ORS would request that, if granted, the order state that the issue be revisited in three months from the date of the order.

Please accept the original of this letter for filing and return the copy enclosed to me in the envelope provided.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If further information is needed, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. George Parker Jr.", written in a cursive style.

L. George Parker Jr.

cc: Florence Belser, Esquire  
Mrs. Katie Morgan  
Mr. Jay Jashinsky  
Aneita Lewis